CHAPTER 26

SHARED USE OF FACILITIES BY PUBLIC AGENCIES S.F. 119

AN ACT relating to the shared use of facilities by public agencies.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Chapter 28E, Code 1983, is amended by adding the following new section:

NEW SECTION. 28E.18 SHARED USE OF FACILITIES. Before proceeding to construct or purchase a facility as otherwise provided by law, a public agency shall inquire of other public agencies having facilities within the same general geographic area concerning the availability of all or part of those facilities for rent or sharing by agreement with the inquiring public agency. If there are no suitable facilities available for rent or sharing, the governing body of the public agency shall record its findings in its meeting minutes.

Approved April 25, 1983

CHAPTER 27

HEALTH DATA COMMISSION AND HEALTH COSTS H.F. 196

AN ACT relating to health care by providing for the creation of a health data commission, its purposes, membership, powers, duties, and other related areas, by permitting a hospital service corporation to contract with an ambulatory surgical facility for surgical services, by permitting contracts between hospitals and radiologists and pathologists, by amending the membership of the board of directors of nonprofit hospital service corporations, nonprofit medical service corporations, and nonprofit pharmaceutical or optometric service corporations, and by providing a penalty.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. NEW SECTION. INTENT AND PURPOSE. As a result of rising health care costs and the concern expressed by health care providers, health care users, third-party payers, and the general public, there is an urgent need to abate these rising costs so as to place the cost of health care within reach of all Iowans without affecting the quality. It is the intent and purpose of sections 1 through 6 of this Act to maintain an acceptable quality of health care services in Iowa and yet at the same time improve the cost efficiency and effectiveness of health care services. To foster the cooperation of the separate industry forces, there is a need to compile and disseminate accurate and current data, including but not limited to price and utilization data, to meet the needs of the people of Iowa and improve the appropriate usage of